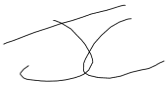


## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2022/23**

I wish to commend this President's Report for the period July 2022 to June 2023 to the Indoor Air Quality Association Australia (IAQAA) Annual General Meeting on 14/11/2023 and proposed that it be approved and adopted.

Signed,



**Julien Colangelo**

President – Indoor Air Quality Association Australia

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## **PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2022/23**

Julien Colangelo – IAQAA President

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### **Membership**

As of 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023, the Indoor Air Quality Association (IAQAA) had 41 individual paid members, 16 Corporate delegates and 15 Government associate members, 12 student members.

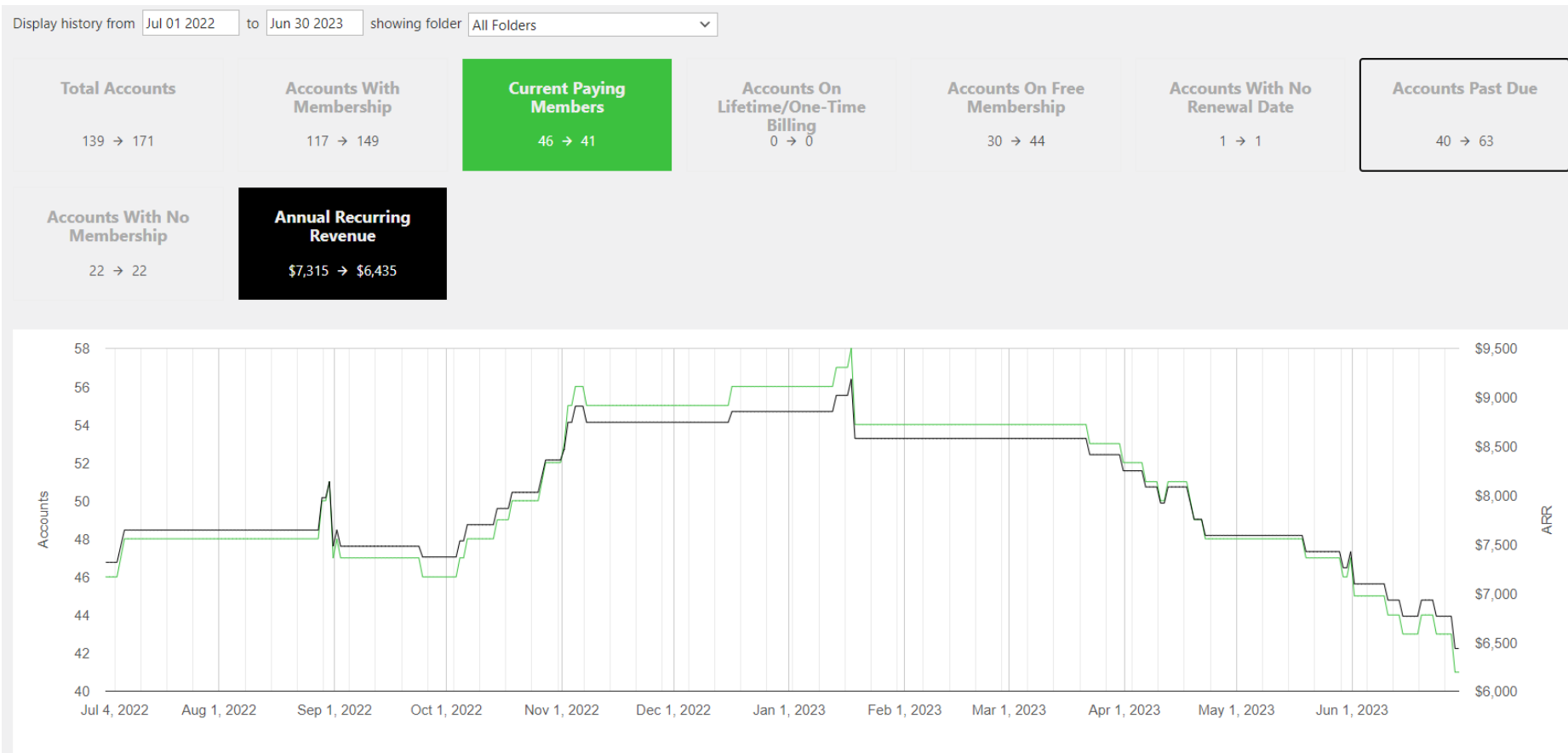
In the new year we will be looking to appoint a committee member as a membership officer to help clean up some of the database and work on a strategy for growing the membership base.

Combined paid members (individual and corporate) increased by 3 up to 57 members. Accounts past due increased by 23, which needs to be followed up by an appointed membership officer. See Figure 1 attached.

Our individual membership fee is \$165 and the IAQAA still offers a discounted membership to IAQA USA members for \$110. Corporate membership is \$330 which includes three (3) delegates with additional delegates available to purchase.

Currently, IAQAA membership offers discounts on in-person events, access to our entire database of event recordings, plus the ability to join our Technical Working Groups and join our committee.

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**Figure 1: IAQAA Membership Stats (Membership Works data)**

## Events in 2023

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In February, the 2023 IAQA International Conference in Austin, Texas, marked a significant milestone for our association. With a record-breaking attendance of five (5) Australian speakers, this event showcased our largest turnout to date. To support our speakers, IAQAA provided a unique opportunity to apply for grants, assisting with travel costs and reinforcing our commitment to fostering international collaboration.

The success continued with the RIA and IAQAA Environmental Day in Melbourne in June, 2023: Adapting to the Future, which received some fantastic feedback. This event demonstrated our dedication to addressing environmental challenges and fostering partnerships within our industry. Our event theme was Strategies for Indoor Air Quality in a Dynamic World. Our speakers addressed the challenges of ensuring healthy indoor air in the face of an ever-changing future. From the impacts of climate change, pandemics, extreme weather and other challenges, we learned about strategies for future-proofing indoor air quality and promoting healthy indoor environments.

I'd like to thank all the speakers from this event: Prof David Karoly FAA, Jack Noonan, Brad Prezant, Bryan Jepsen, Dr Heike Neumeister-Kemp, Phillip Turner and Phill McGurk. We also had 2 amazing international speakers in Stanley Yeskolski and Lisa Rogers. I'd like to thank both our moderators and additional panellists for our panel discussions: Dr Claire Bird, Brendan PejkoVIC, Owen Boak and Jason Green.

Members of our association actively contributed to several key conferences, including the RIA Restoration Conference (June 2023), the AIRAH Indoor Air Quality Conference (July 2023), and the Australasian Indoor Building Management Symposium (AIBMS) featuring Spring Break ran by Coach 8 event (September 2023). These engagements highlighted the expertise of our members but also reinforced our presence in diverse forums related to air quality and restoration. I am looking forward to these opportunities again in 2024 to cross-promote our association with other industry associations.

We also had a Technical Working Group led by Bryan Jepsen, IAQAA Secretary: Indoor Environmental Professional Framework. The group which included several of our members have prepared a fantastic set of professional values and ethics for the Indoor Environmental Professional (IEP). The group is currently engaging with other industry associations and have plans to publish the document soon.

This year has seen exceptional developments within the IAQ Industry in the establishment of working groups within the IAQ sector across various professional entities. Additionally, there has been significant progress in standards development, notably ASHRAE 241, Control of Infectious Aerosols.

Overall, the events of 2023 reflect the growing influence and engagement of our association on both a national and international scale. The increased participation and positive reception of our initiatives underscore our commitment to advancing our industry and providing a platform for collaboration.

## **Sponsorship and Corporate Members**

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I would like to thank all of our Sponsors and Corporate Members over the last 12 months. Your support has meant a lot to us and is greatly appreciated by our members.

I would like to thank the following organisations for their support:

**Gold Sponsor:**           **Eurofins AEML**

**Event Sponsors:**       **BULCS Holdings (Conference Giveaway sponsor)**

**Litmas**

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**SAN-AIR**

**All Aces Cleaning & Restoration**

## **Thankyou to our Committee**

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I would like to thank our 2022/23 IAQAA Committee members for their hard work and support:

### **Our Management Committee:**

Bryan Jepsen – Secretary

Jason Green – Vice President

Marijana Vidak – Treasurer

### **And our General Committee members:**

Charles Bodas

Dr Claire Bird

I would also like to thank Jodi Donovan and Gregor Riese who had to step down from their General Committee roles during the year.

## **Looking towards 2024**

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It has been a fantastic experience serving as the IAQAA President for the last 3 years and I am incredibly grateful for the support, dedication and passion our committee and members have brought to the association.

With a growing family at home, I have decided the time is right to take a step back from my role as President. I am confident that this transition presents an exciting opportunity for new leadership to steer our association to even greater heights.

We've built a strong foundation and I believe that fresh leadership with new perspectives and ideas will propel us forward.

I encourage each of our members to make the most of your association. It is with your support that the IAQAA will grow and thrive. I welcome the new committee and offer my ongoing support during this transition. I look forward to staying connected with all of you as a devoted member, and I am excited about the potential that lies ahead for the IAQAA.

Thankyou again for your support and I wish the new committee all the very best!

Kind Regards

**Julien Colangelo**

Outgoing President

Indoor Air Quality Association Australia